

July 6, 2005

Ref: 2266-23574

Honorable James H. Welsh  
Commissioner of Conservation  
Post Office Box 94275  
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4275

Re: Hearing Application  
Hackberry Zone, Reservoirs A and B  
WEST BUHLER FIELD  
Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana  
Applicant: Duncan Oil, Inc.

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, application is hereby made on behalf of **Duncan Oil, Inc.** for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Hackberry Zone, Reservoirs A and B, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana.

1. To create two (2) single drilling and production units of approximately 160 acres and 150 acres, respectively, for the Hackberry Zone, Reservoirs A and B designated as the HBY RA SUA and HBY RB SUA, West Buhler Field, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana, all as shown more particularly on the attached plat;
2. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of oil and gas from the said units;
3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the units so created, with each tract sharing in units production on a surface acreage basis of participation;
4. To consider such other matters relating to the subject reservoir as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the public hearing.

The Hackberry Zone, Reservoir A in West Buhler Field, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana, is hereby defined as being that oil and gas bearing zone encountered between the measured depths of 7,940 feet and 9,250 feet (electrical log

measurements) in the Pan American Petroleum Corp.-Krause and Managan Lumber Co. No. 1 well, located in Section 4, Township 9 South, Range 10 West, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana, and is further defined as that oil and gas bearing zone encountered between the measured depths of 8,480 feet and 9,250 feet (electrical log measurements) in The Dawson Exploration, Inc.-State Lease 6544 No. 2 well located in Section 17, Township 9 South, Range 10 West, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana.

In compliance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, a pre-application conference was held in Lafayette, Louisiana on July 5, 2005. Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a list of the names and addresses of the parties who were in attendance at that conference.

The conference was opened by Mr. B. J. Duplantis. Mr. Remy Williams of W. H. Robbins & Associates presented the plan of applicant. Questions were asked and answered. It is anticipated that there will be no opposition at the public hearing on this matter.

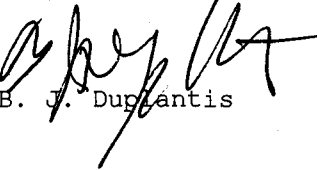
Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a plat outlining the HBY RA SUA and HBY RB SUA, West Buhler Field, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana, and a list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties to whom this notice is being sent. It is hereby certified that a reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all interested owners, represented parties and interested parties.

A copy of the list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties is not being mailed to those parties along with this application. Should any such party desire a copy of this list, however, we will be glad to provide one upon request.

Any pertinent data relating to the proposed units can be obtained, AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY, from Mr. Remy Williams of W. H. Robbins & Associates, 302 La Rue France, Suite 100, Lafayette, LA (337) 232-5004.

Finally, there is enclosed herewith our check on behalf of the applicant in the amount of \$755.00, made payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,



B. J. Duplantis

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Attachments

cc: Mr. Richard D. Hudson  
District Manager, Office of Conservation

All Interested Owners,  
Represented Parties and  
Interested Parties

